

**Tennessee Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges  
Year-End Summary Report  
Based On Number of Reported Cases  
January - December 2000**

Juvenile Court **KNOX**  
Court Number **47**

January - December 2000                      5,026 Cases Were Disposed Of Or Adjusted  
Affecting                                      3,645 Children

General Characteristics Of These Cases Follow:

**Referral Reasons Before Amended Charges**                      *Each Case May Include Up To 5 Referral Reasons  
Therefore The Number Of Total Referral Reasons, Referral Sources, Intake Actions, Formal/Informal Actions,  
And Person Executing The Action May Be Greater Than The Total Number of Cases*

2	OR	0.03% Criminal Homicide
0	OR	0.00% 1st Degree Murder
0	OR	0.00% 2nd Degree Murder
3	OR	0.05% Aggravated Rape
10	OR	0.16% Rape of a Child
0	OR	0.00% Aggravated Vehicular Homicide
3	OR	0.05% Esp. Aggravated Robbery
1	OR	0.02% Esp. Aggravated Kidnapping
16	OR	0.26% Aggravated Robbery
0	OR	0.00% Aggravated Kidnapping
1	OR	0.02% Aggravated Child Abuse/Neglect
8	OR	0.13% Aggravated Sexual Battery
10	OR	0.16% Rape
0	OR	0.00% Voluntary Manslaughter
1	OR	0.02% Vehicular Homicide
1	OR	0.02% Sexual Abuse of a Child
5	OR	0.08% Other Sexual Offenses
49	OR	0.79% Aggravated Assault
6	OR	0.10% Robbery
0	OR	0.00% Criminally Negligent Homicide
4	OR	0.06% Attempt to Commit a Crime Against Person
120	OR	1.94% Assault
16	OR	0.26% Reckless Endangerment
1	OR	0.02% Aggravated Arson
0	OR	0.00% Arson
48	OR	0.78% Aggravated Burglary
346	OR	5.61% Theft of Property
88	OR	1.43% Vandalism
6	OR	0.10% Forgery
0	OR	0.00% Worthless Checks
3	OR	0.05% Illegal Possession/Fraudulent Use of Credit/Debit Cards
69	OR	1.12% Burglary
44	OR	0.71% Unauthorized use of a Vehicle
2	OR	0.03% Cruelty to Animals

**KNOX**

24	OR	0.39% Sale of Controlled Substances
61	OR	0.99% Other Drug Offenses
196	OR	3.18% Possession of Controlled Substances
1	OR	0.02% Criminal Attempt
6	OR	0.10% Carrying Weapons on School Property
40	OR	0.65% Unlawful Carrying/Possession of a Weapon
91	OR	1.47% Evading Arrest
33	OR	0.53% Escape
11	OR	0.18% Driving Under Influence (DUI)
207	OR	3.35% Possession/Consumption of Alcohol
55	OR	0.89% Resisting Stop, Frisk, Halt, Arrest or Search
2	OR	0.03% Aggravated Criminal Trespass
10	OR	0.16% Harassment
0	OR	0.00% Failure to Appear
9	OR	0.15% Filing a False Police Report
56	OR	0.91% Criminal Impersonation
146	OR	2.37% Disorderly Conduct
52	OR	0.84% Criminal Trespass
29	OR	0.47% Public Intoxication
7	OR	0.11% Gambling
1,324	OR	21.46% Traffic
15	OR	0.24% Local Ordinances
1	OR	0.02% Violation of Wildlife Regulations
8	OR	0.13% Contempt of Court
445	OR	7.21% Violation of Probation
52	OR	0.84% Violation of Aftercare
20	OR	0.32% Unruly Behavior
21	OR	0.34% Truancy
251	OR	4.07% In-State Runaway
6	OR	0.10% Out-of-State Runaway
96	OR	1.56% Possession of Tobacco Products
12	OR	0.19% Violation of a Valid Court Order
176	OR	2.85% Violation of Curfew
34	OR	0.55% Sexually Abused Child
21	OR	0.34% Physically Abused Child
424	OR	6.87% Dependency/Neglect
69	OR	1.12% Termination of Parental Rights
6	OR	0.10% Violation of Pretrial Diversion
2	OR	0.03% Violation of Informal Adjustment
18	OR	0.29% Judicial Review
0	OR	0.00% Administrative Review
425	OR	6.89% Foster Care Review
334	OR	5.41% Custody
78	OR	1.26% Visitation
0	OR	0.00% Paternity/Legitimation
0	OR	0.00% Child Support
0	OR	0.00% Request for Medical Treatment
1	OR	0.02% Consent to Marry
432	OR	7.00% Other

---

6,170	OR	100.00% Total
-------	----	---------------

---

Of the 5,026 Cases, There Were

6,170 Referral Sources

**KNOX**

**Referral Source**

3,228	OR	52.3% Were Referred By Law Enforcement
721	OR	11.7% Were Referred By Parents
495	OR	8.0% Were Referred By Relatives
6	OR	0.1% Were Referred By Self
76	OR	1.2% Were Referred By School
5	OR	0.1% Were Referred By CSA
873	OR	14.1% Were Referred By DCS
4	OR	0.1% Were Referred By Other State Departments
0	OR	0.0% Were Referred By District Attorney's Office
448	OR	7.3% Were Referred By Court Staff
23	OR	0.4% Were Referred By Social Agency
13	OR	0.2% Were Referred By Other Court
206	OR	3.3% Were Referred By Victim
4	OR	0.1% Were Referred By Child & Parent
1	OR	0.0% Were Referred By Hospital
0	OR	0.0% Were Unknown
67	OR	1.1% Other
6,170	OR	100.0% Total

Of the 5,026 Cases, There Were 6,170 Intake Actions  
**Intake Actions**

4,584	OR	74.3% Petition Filed
173	OR	2.8% Motion Filed
1,384	OR	22.4% Citation Processed
0	OR	0.0% Notification of Acknowledgement of Paternity Processed
21	OR	0.3% Scheduling of Judicial Review
0	OR	0.0% Scheduling of Administrative Review
0	OR	0.0% Scheduling of Foster Care Review
0	OR	0.0% Unknown
2	OR	0.0% Does Not Apply
6	OR	0.1% Other
6,170	OR	100.0% Total

Of The 5,026 Cases:

#### **Type Of Detention**

49	OR	1.0% Non-Secure Placement
860	OR	17.1% Juvenile Detention Facility
3	OR	0.1% Jail - Complete Separation
1	OR	0.0% Jail - Partial Separation
4	OR	0.1% Jail - No Separation
2	OR	0.0% Psychiatric Hospital
22	OR	0.4% Unknown
3,980	OR	79.2% Does Not Apply
105	OR	2.1% Other
5,026	OR	100.0% Total

#### **Placement After Secure Detention Hearing**

616	OR	12.3% Returned To Prior Living Arrangement
-----	----	--

**KNOX**

243	OR	4.8% Juvenile Detention Facility
2	OR	0.0% Jail
27	OR	0.5% Shelter Facility/Group Home
1	OR	0.0% Foster Family
6	OR	0.1% Psychiatric Hospital
39	OR	0.8% Unknown
4,076	OR	81.1% Does Not Apply
16	OR	0.3% Other
5,026	OR	100.0% Total

During January - December 2000, Dispositions or Adjudications Affecting

3,645 Children

#### Age of Child At Referral

790	OR	21.7% Birth Through Age 10
197	OR	5.4% Ages 11 Through 12
470	OR	12.9% Ages 13 Through 14
1,243	OR	34.1% Ages 15 Through 16
939	OR	25.8% Age 17 Through 18
1	OR	0.0% Age 19 And Over
5	OR	0.1% Unknown/Not Reported
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

#### Sex of Child

2,012	OR	55.2% Male
1,329	OR	36.5% Female
304	OR	8.3% Unknown
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

#### Race of Child

2,336	OR	64.1% White
581	OR	15.9% African American
2	OR	0.1% Native American
17	OR	0.5% Asian
0	OR	0.0% Mixed Race
709	OR	19.5% Unknown
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

Of the 3,645 Children Referred

#### Hispanic Origin

7	OR	0.2% Were Of Hispanic Origin
---	----	------------------------------

#### Living Arrangement of Child At Time of Referral

KNOX

400	OR	11.0% Living With Both Biological Parents
56	OR	1.5% Living With Father And Stepmother
124	OR	3.4% Living With Mother And Stepfather

923	OR	25.3% Living With Mother
168	OR	4.6% Living With Father
362	OR	9.9% Living With Relatives
18	OR	0.5% Living With Adoptive Parents
94	OR	2.6% Living With Foster Family
46	OR	1.3% Living In A Group Home
14	OR	0.4% Living In A Residential Center
5	OR	0.1% Living In An Institution
8	OR	0.2% Living Independently
1,395	OR	38.3% Unknown
32	OR	0.9% Other
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

#### School Enrollment of Child

1,629	OR	44.7% Were Enrolled In School
419	OR	11.5% Were Not Enrolled In School
1,597	OR	43.8% Unknown
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

#### Last Grade Completed By Child

261	OR	7.2% Too Young For School
44	OR	1.2% Pre-School
52	OR	1.4% Finished Kindergarten
31	OR	0.9% Finished Grade 1
31	OR	0.9% Finished Grade 2
26	OR	0.7% Finished Grade 3
50	OR	1.4% Finished Grade 4
46	OR	1.3% Finished Grade 5
69	OR	1.9% Finished Grade 6
102	OR	2.8% Finished Grade 7
213	OR	5.8% Finished Grade 8
271	OR	7.4% Finished Grade 9
260	OR	7.1% Finished Grade 10
161	OR	4.4% Finished Grade 11
17	OR	0.5% Finished Grade 12
11	OR	0.3% Non-graded Special Education
48	OR	1.3% GED
10	OR	0.3% Graduated
0	OR	0.0% Never Been In School
1,942	OR	53.3% Unknown
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

#### Enrolled In Special Education

138	OR	3.8% Were Enrolled In Special Education
1,322	OR	36.3% Not Enrolled In Special Education
2,185	OR	59.9% Unknown
3,645	OR	100.0% Total

The Following Are The 9,691 Specific **Case Outcomes**

Each Case May Have Resulted In More Than One Outcome;

Therefore The Number Of Total Outcomes May Be Greater Than The Total Number Of Cases

**KNOX**

393	OR	4.06% Case Dismissed
-----	----	----------------------

159	OR	1.64% Case Retired or <i>Nolle Prosequi</i>
436	OR	4.50% Warned/Counseled
74	OR	0.76% Held Open For Review
940	OR	9.70% Supervision/Probation To Juvenile Court
22	OR	0.23% Probation To Parents
151	OR	1.56% Referral To Another Entity For Supervision/Service
132	OR	1.36% Referred For Mental Health Counseling
161	OR	1.66% Referred For Alcohol and Drug Counseling
1	OR	0.01% Referred To Alternative School
11	OR	0.11% Referred To Private Child Agency
23	OR	0.24% Referred To Defensive Driving School
258	OR	2.66% Referred To Alcohol Safety School
56	OR	0.58% Referred To Juvenile Court Education-Based Program
31	OR	0.32% Driver's License Held Informally
0	OR	0.00% Voluntary Placement With DMHMR
11	OR	0.11% Private Mental Health Placement
0	OR	0.00% Private Mental Retardation Placement
7	OR	0.07% Placement with City/County/Agency/Facility
138	OR	1.42% Placement with Relative/Other Individual
192	OR	1.98% Fine
813	OR	8.39% Public Service
124	OR	1.28% Restitution
147	OR	1.52% Runaway Returned
147	OR	1.52% No Contact Order
39	OR	0.40% Injunction Other Than No Contact Order
2	OR	0.02% House Arrest
127	OR	1.31% Court Defined Curfew
1,117	OR	11.53% Dismissed From Informal Adjustment
4	OR	0.04% Dismissed From Pretrial Diversion
7	OR	0.07% Released From Probation
3	OR	0.03% Transferred To Adult Court
0	OR	0.00% DMHMR Involuntary Commitment
14	OR	0.14% DCS Commitment - Determinate
223	OR	2.30% DCS Commitment/Custody
113	OR	1.17% DCS Commitment - Suspended
40	OR	0.41% DCS Intensive Probation
63	OR	0.65% Other Intensive Probation
19	OR	0.20% DCS Probation
54	OR	0.56% Placed Under a Valid Court Order
36	OR	0.37% Supervision By DCS
45	OR	0.46% Transferred To Another Juvenile Court For Disposition
52	OR	0.54% Parental Rights Terminated
1	OR	0.01% Parental Rights Not Terminated

2	OR	0.02% Order of Reference To DCS
943	OR	9.73% Court Costs
17	OR	0.18% Foster Care Terminated
435	OR	4.49% Foster Care Continued
448	OR	4.62% Custody Changed
537	OR	5.54% Custody Unchanged

**KNOX**

99	OR	1.02% Visitation Changed
13	OR	0.13% Visitation Unchanged
0	OR	0.00% Voluntary Acknowledgment of Paternity
0	OR	0.00% Paternity Determined/Child Legitimated
0	OR	0.00% Paternity Not Determined/Child Not Legitimated
0	OR	0.00% Child Support Granted
0	OR	0.00% Child Support Amended
0	OR	0.00% Child Support Denied
1	OR	0.01% Child Support Terminated
0	OR	0.00% Request For Medical Treatment Granted
0	OR	0.00% Request For Medical Treatment Denied
0	OR	0.00% Consent To Marry Granted
0	OR	0.00% Consent To Marry Denied
810	OR	8.36% Other
9,691	OR	100.00% Total

#### Disposed By

Of the 6,170 Referral Reasons Disposed, There Were

451	OR	7.3% Disposed By The Judge
3,783	OR	61.3% Disposed By The Referee
527	OR	8.5% Disposed By The YSO
1,409	OR	22.8% Other
6,170	OR	100.0% Total

Of The 5,026 Cases Disposed,  
The **Action Used To Dispose/Adjust** Each Of The 6,170 Referral Reasons Was:

351	OR	5.7% Dismissed
369	OR	6.0% Retired or <i>Nolle Prosequi</i>
1,907	OR	30.9% Complaint Substantiated Delinquent
72	OR	1.2% Complaint Substantiated Status Offender
1,085	OR	17.6% Complaint Substantiated Dependent/Neglected
14	OR	0.2% Complaint Substantiated Abused
0	OR	0.0% Complaint Substantiated Mentally Ill
1,904	OR	30.9% Informal Adjustment
310	OR	5.0% Pretrial Diversion
0	OR	0.0% Transfer To Adult Court Hearing
6	OR	0.1% Charges Cleared By Transfer To Adult Court
9	OR	0.1% Special Proceeding
9	OR	0.1% Review Concluded
22	OR	0.4% Case Held Open
112	OR	1.8% Other
6,170	OR	100.0% Total